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Big 4 Discuss Austrian Peace Treaty

Railwaymen Expected To Return To Work

London, June 15.—Britain's vital trunk railway routes, which have been crippled for the past five weekends by 24-hour strikes, are expected to resume normal working next weekend.

After talks between the Executive of the National Union of Railwaymen and the National Union of Railwaymen, it was announced tonight that the negotiations on wage claims would be resumed next Monday if the men worked normally on Sunday.

The Ministry of Labour tonight announced that the Executive of the National Union of Railwaymen had informed the Minister of Labour that they were confident that the measures they had taken and were contemplating would ensure full normal working next Sunday so far as their members were concerned.

The Railway Executive later stated that if the NUR assurance had the anticipated result, they would be prepared to meet the Union on Monday morning to dispose of the union's circular letter on lodging turns, which has been partly the cause of the deadlock in the negotiations.

Assuming that was satisfactorily adjusted, the negotiations with all the trade unions concerned on wages could be resumed immediately afterwards—"if convenient, next Monday afternoon," the Railway Executive said.

The railwaymen's leaders said that a substantial number of men would stay at work this weekend.—Reuters.

Secret Session Cancelled: Bevin's Lonely Afternoon

THREE FIRM RESULTS

Paris, June 15.—The "Big Four" Foreign Ministers, after a 75-minute secret session tonight, issued an official communique saying that they had discussed during the past few days "an Austrian treaty and a modus vivendi relative to the situation in Germany."

The communique said that the Ministers had adjourned until tomorrow after the delegations had presented different proposals.

A French Foreign Office spokesman said that "in principle" tomorrow's meeting would be the last.

Tonight's meeting, held at the French Foreign Office, was the shortest of the present conference.

French sources called it "an ultra-confidential working session."

The Ministers had cancelled their earlier secret meeting at the Rose Palace — where all other discussions were held — at the request of the Soviet Foreign Minister, Mr. Andrei Vyshinsky. The British Foreign Secretary, Mr. Ernest Bevin, was the only Foreign Minister to arrive at the Rose Palace for the cancelled session.

Mr. Dean Acheson, the United States Secretary of State, who was to have presided, had been unable to tell him of the cancellation in time.

His solitary afternoon at the Palace corresponded to Mr. Vyshinsky's stroll in the Bois de Boulogne — yesterday when the secret session was adjourned for two hours while the Western Powers considered the new Soviet counter-proposals to their own joint plan submitted on Sunday.

Authoritative French sources gave this explanation of this afternoon's cancelled meeting: "Western counter-proposals to the Soviet proposals on Berlin and East-West German trade submitted yesterday were sent to Mr. Vyshinsky before this afternoon's sessions was due to start."

Mr. Vyshinsky asked for time to consider them. At his request it was initially decided to delay the start of the meeting and then to adjourn it either until later in the day or until tomorrow.

Meanwhile, Mr. Vyshinsky telephoned Moscow, and was later able to agree to the meeting at the French Foreign Office.

Probable concrete results of the Paris conference, authoritative French sources said, were as follows:

(1) A treaty with Austria so far advanced that it could be signed in the near future.

(2) The "certainty" that the Berlin blockade would not be re-established.

(3) Establishment of contact between the four Ministers which, from now on, would have "personal character."

The French Foreign Minister, Mr. Robert Schuman, told the French Cabinet earlier today, after a 90-minute meeting of the three Western Foreign Ministers, that the "Big Four" Powers might reach agreement on an Austrian peace treaty before September 1.

Breaking through the news blackout which has covered the proceedings of the conference since Sunday, the pro-Communist newspaper Ce Soir gave the following account of the counter-proposals by Mr. Vyshinsky in answer to the joint West plan for Berlin and East-West trade put forward three days ago:

"These proposals suggested that the Council of Foreign Ministers should be maintained and meet periodically and that a 'Committee of Continuation' be set up in Berlin to maintain contacts between the Big Four between sessions."

"Under its authority would be placed an all-German economic organisation representing East and West which would study the problems of international exchanges and all commercial questions."

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NATIONALISTS BOMB SHANGHAI
Shanghai, June 15.—Two Nationalist planes bombed Shanghai's western outskirts at 8.20 this morning. Two big explosions were heard in the city. No details were available immediately.—United Press.

MORE SELF-RULE FOR BERLIN CITY GOVT.

Berlin, June 15.—The Western allies cancelled 500 directives of the past four years in Berlin on Wednesday to give the city government more self-rule.

Western Berlin is not operating on a basic law that gives the Socialist-controlled magistrature considerable leeway in running its affairs.

The allies have retained by and large their powers only on international questions and security.

The list of cancelled orders sent by the Western governments to Lord Mayor Prof. Ernst Reuter included such directives as imposition of curfew restrictions, repairs for schools and labour courts and food distribution.

The Western officials also discussed in a two-hour meeting on Wednesday the rail strike situation without deciding on a future course.

The strikers rejected a Four Power compromise offer on Tuesday.

In another move to delegate more power to the Germans, the West dissolved the Berlin Collection Commission which served as an agency to receive debt payment for Berlin banks which lay dormant since the war. A new committee will be set up to deal directly with the city government and the Berliner Zentral Bank.—Associated Press.

Cominform Plan To Quash Tito Believed Finalised

Warsaw, June 15.—According to reports here today, Eastern Europe's third Cominform meeting — to execute the Soviet demands for economic sanctions against Marshal Tito's Yugoslavia — has now ended. No confirmation was possible, but the tone of the press and the absence of top Polish Communists, and the rumours emanating from responsible Polish Government quarters, are strong signs that an all-Slav, if not a full Cominform meeting, has taken place, and that final plans to quash Marshal Tito were top priority items on the agenda.

Poland, unlike Hungary and Czechoslovakia, has not yet abandoned trade with Yugoslavia, although in January she slashed exchanges for 1949 to one-fifth their previous volume. A severance of diplomatic relations is considered here as the most likely next step.

Poland and Yugoslavia have exchanged diplomatic notes for eight months, although Yugoslavia was the first Eastern European country to sign a mutual aid pact with Poland in 1948.

In addition to action against Yugoslavia, which the Cominform expelled last year, the meeting is believed to have discussed China, Germany, Greece and a settlement of the religious problems of Eastern Europe.

The meeting, according to the rumours, was held in a remote area of Polish Lower Silesia, where the now discredited Polish Communist leader, M. Wladyslaw Gomulka, entertained the late Andrei Zhdanov at the first Cominform meeting in 1947.

M. George Malenkov, Deputy Chairman of the Soviet Council of Foreign Ministers, is considered a probable successor to Zhdanov, who "fathered" the Cominform, and he is reported to have been in Poland after the recent Czech Communist rally in Prague.

Poland's representatives at the third Cominform session are believed to have been M. Jakub Berman, Under-Secretary of State, and M. Hilary Minc, the chief economic planner, both stated to be absent from the capital.

BELGRADE FEARS
In Belgrade, many Yugoslavs were fearful tonight of the institution of new anti-Tito measures by the Cominform countries following reports that a meeting of the Cominform had just ended in Poland.

No official Yugoslav reaction was available since the reported meeting has not been mentioned in the Yugoslav press.

Speculation, however, was rife in Belgrade that the Cominform might tighten its economic blockade or break off diplomatic relations with Yugoslavia.

Right wing Yugoslavs would welcome an intensification of the campaign, believing it would be bound to drive Marshal Tito to strengthen his relations with the West. But many Communists are dismayed by the fear that the break might now be final, and that Yugoslavia might have to depend on economic aid from the West.—Reuters.

Colonial Office Pays Tribute To H.K.'s Ingenuity

Recovery Achievements In Far East "Quite Remarkable"

London, June 15.—A tribute to the men whose ingenuity has helped, since the war, to rebuild the shattered economies and social services of the Far East, was paid in a Colonial Office report issued today.

The document, entitled "British Dependencies In The Far East," describes achievements in Malaya, Hongkong and Borneo territories as "quite remarkable."

Among instances quoted of ingenuity are the manufacture of reinforcing rods for use in building, from steel salvaged from wrecks in Hongkong harbour.

Of the men who overcame shortages of staff and equipment, the report said, "They ransacked dumps for spare parts and for machinery. They showed the greatest patience and persistence in tracing machinery removed by the Japanese."

"They salvaged every scrap of steel from bomb debris. They devised new methods of building, using local materials. They used timber where previously they would have used steel and cement. They made the utmost of the bones of Bailey Bridges. And they coaxed new services from ancient machinery which, theoretically, should have been scrapped long since."

The work of reconstruction, the report said, had to be undertaken at a time of world shortage, especially of steel and machinery, "while professional and technical staff had proved difficult to recruit."

In addition, there was in Malaya a Communist Campaign of violence.

SOME ACHIEVEMENTS
Among achievements, reflecting the speed with which stable government, efficient administration and public services have been restored, the report listed the following:

Record production (608,000 tons) of rubber in Malaya in 1948.

Record production of rice in Malaya in the 1947-48 season (343,000 tons from the record acreage of 825,000).

Record production of petroleum from fields in Brunei, now the largest producer in the Commonwealth.

Other items of progress recorded in the report are the fact that more children were at school than ever before in the Federation, Singapore and the Borneo territories, health was in many respects better than ever before, power, water supplies and communication were rehabilitated, and there was remarkable expansion in civil aviation.

As an instance of ingenuity the report recalled that in Malaya there was the adaptation of light aeroplane hangars as roofing for new railway sheds.

PREFAB HOUSES
In Singapore, the report pointed out, 876 prefabricated concrete houses had been built by the end of 1948.

Development schemes, the report said, are also going ahead with the help of allocations from the Colonial Development and Welfare Funds, a great diversity of projects for increasing the well-being and prosperity of the territories are being carried out.

DANGER OF JAPANESE COMPETITION WARNING
Manchester, June 15.—Mr. A. B. Barclay, Chairman of the British Cotton and Rayon Merchants' Association, warned the Association's annual meeting today of Japanese competition, but declared, "A nation such as Japan cannot be just wiped out and ignored."

Discussing the importation of Japanese grey cloth for use in the home trade, he said, "I've none of us like the idea of importing foreign cloth, whether it be for the home trade or for processing here and re-exported to our overseas markets."

"I cannot help but feel that if foreign cloth has to be imported, it is better that it should be used for the home trade, and thus free Lancashire cloth for export."

Mr. Barclay said that buyers were today fully aware of the relatively low American prices ruling at present. He thought that as time went on this American competition is likely to be intensified.

He said that the import permit system was a new and serious obstacle to the export trade and suggested that in framing agreements with countries abroad the Government should consider this, and should endeavour to open up markets for British exporters.—Reuters.

planned, ranging from technical colleges to fisheries research stations, from tuberculosis settlements to mineral surveys.

In spite of the solid achievements, the report said, there are continuing problems and stresses, and much remains to be done in conditions in which there are many "imponderables."

The cost of reconstruction has made heavy inroads on the finances of the territories, and none is in a position to undertake the expansion of social services on a scale it would wish. Tuberculosis constitutes a serious health problem, and allied with it is the problem of gross over-crowding in some urban areas, coupled with rapidly increasing urban populations.

In Malaya the bandit outbreak has imposed a further heavy burden of expenditure on the Government, which help from the United Kingdom will lighten but not remove.

SOME QUESTIONS
The report ended with a list of questions on answers to which the future of Far East territories depends.

These questions were: The speed with which bandits can be finally eliminated. Whether stable conditions in Southern China, on which Hongkong's prosperity depends, are now likely. The effects on Malaya's rubber and tin, of synthetic rubber production in the United States and the revival of Indonesian competition.

The report further asked, "Can rubber small-holdings in Malaya and Borneo be revitalised and the industry as a whole increase its efficiency and reduce its costs? Will world production of tin outstrip demand and lead to a slump in price? Can new resources of oil be found to replace those now approaching exhaustion?"

"The success of the new Constitution in Malaya will depend on good understanding between the Central Government and the Governments of constituent States and Settlements. Can this be assured?"

"Finally, Malaya's political stability, as well as the well-being of both Malays and Chinese, depends on harmony and compromise between the two peoples. Will wise and moderate leadership succeed in reconciling the views of the two communities and in satisfying legitimate aspirations of both?"—Reuters.

Has No Faith In MacArthur

Canberra, June 15.—Labourite Senator Donald Grant charged in the Australian Senate on Wednesday that Japan never will be truly democratic while Gen. Douglas MacArthur is in charge.

"I admire what Gen. MacArthur did to save Australia," Mr. Grant said, "but if you want to make a batch of a peace, put a general in charge. Go through history and see."

Mr. Grant said the Russian Iron Curtain was nothing compared with the "MacArthur curtain" in Japan. He added that Japan now is being treated more as an ally than as a conquered enemy.—Associated Press.

EDITORIAL

Constitutional Reform Issues

It is presumed that one item of importance for discussion at the next meeting of the Legislative Council will be the notice of motion relating to the reconstitution of the Council. Several weeks have elapsed since Mr. D. F. Landale introduced the subject and it has been vigorously discussed, pro and con, through the forums of the Hongkong Reform Club, the Chinese Reform Club and the newspapers. Up to a point there has been some crystallisation of public opinion. The Hongkong Reform Club has given the Landale proposals full support, principally because the majority of members feel that reconstitution of the Legislative Council is of greater moment than creation of a municipal council with its restricted functions. The Chinese Reform Club, though not opposed to the idea of a new type of legislature, take the view that immediate functioning of a municipal council is of paramount importance; they also disagree with Mr. Landale's conception of how a revised Legislative Council should be constituted—firstly they desire that all Unofficials should be elected; secondly that Chinese representatives should be predominant. Thus it is apparent there is still division of opinion as to what form constitutional reform should take and how it should be applied. And it is conceivable that another element may yet be introduced to cloud still further the issues at stake: for example, amendments on the part of Unofficial Members of Legislative Council, to the Landale proposals. In any event, the original notice of motion introduced by Mr. Landale requires to be more specific, before it can be intelligently debated, and for this reason, any amendment which serves this purpose would not be unwelcome. Any resolution put before the Council on this subject should deal specifically with the following points: the total number of members when the Council is fully constituted; the total

number of Officials and the total number of Unofficials; whether all the Unofficials should be elected, or whether election should apply to a stated number, with the remainder made up of nominated members; the qualifications to be an Unofficial; the extent of the franchise. Unless all of these issues are covered when the subject is next introduced in the Council (whether under the original Landale notice of motion or any amendment to it) the resolution and the discussion will be futile. And in the framing of any resolution, it is of first importance that consideration be given to the question of the Municipal Council. The Ordinance under which such an administrative body can come into being has now been printed and published, and normally it would now only await its three readings and then become law. But it may be necessary, in order to allow any resolution passed respecting reconstitution of the Legislative Council to be brought to the attention of the proper authorities, to delay readings of the Municipal Council Ordinance. This would not mean, however, that the Bill has been scrapped. It could mean, however, that if the Secretary of State for the Colonies gave a favourable reception to the proposals to reconstitute the legislature, that both reforms could come into effect simultaneously. Although the Municipal Council Bill has been prepared, there is much work to be done to make ready the machinery by which the Council would become effective; and there is no reason why that preparative work should not proceed. By the time it has been completed, it is possible that final details of the reconstitution of the legislature would have been approved, and the Colony placed in the position where it could go ahead and have its first Municipal Council alongside its reconstituted Legislative Council. It is a tempting

SOVIET PROPOSALS

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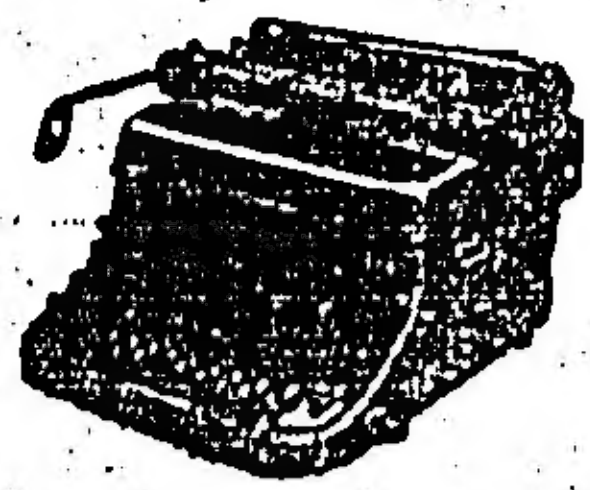
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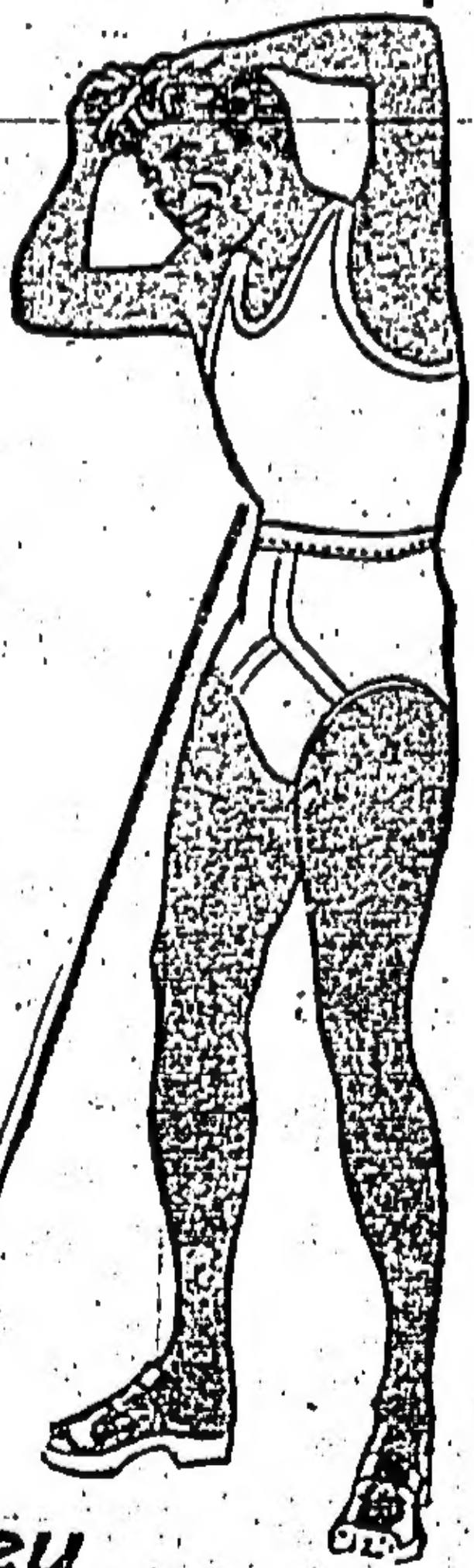
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It's Dior's Again

Keeping The Girls In Shape

By HAL BOYLE

NEW YORK. It takes a lot of figuring to keep the female figure in bounds.

And that watchdog of the womanly bulge, the Corset and Brassiere Association of America, has come up with a few well-rounded statistics.

It has found that no one shape seems to satisfy the girls for long. The only thing about the feminine contour that has remained unchanged since Cleopatra's day is the shoulder. (Eds. Note: It is as cold as ever.)

Researchers have discovered the American woman of today is no longer the wasp-waisted stringbean of yore. She's more billowy than willow.

Put in terms of a mathematical formula, the average woman now is 5 feet 3 inches tall and weighs 133 pounds. She has a 35½-inch bust, 29-inch waist and 38-inch hips. At least, these are the typical measurements of the women who buy foundation garments. And 85 percent of these over 15 years of age do.

The father's daughter is shorter and wider at the beam than her city sister. And the rich girl has a scrawnier chassis than the working lass. One survey showed that only about one out of 13 women has the classic measurement—a "perfect 36."

Perhaps this helps explain the Corset and Brassiere Association's contention that 55,000,000 American women figure they have a figure problem, and do something about it.

Venus' Girdle
But women weren't the first to worry about their shape. A goddess started it. Homer wrote of how June, the queen of Olympus, borrowed a girdle from Venus, the goddess of love. June thought the girdle would cause her husband, Jupiter, to become more attentive. This idea has grown down the ages.

Now some 300 American firms, employing more than 17,000 persons, each year turn out 100,000,000 brassieres, 5,000,000 "fashies" or bust pads, and 41,000,000 girdles and corsets.

King Richard had It

The girdle, incidentally, was invented by a man—probably the cave man. Men also have been about as stoutly devoted to corsets as the ladies. The first known use of the term "corset" is in the household register of Eleanor, Countess of Leicester, in May 24, 1265. The corsets were made for Richard, King of the Normans, and his son, Edward.

In the days of England's Good Queen Bess a 13-inch waist was in high style, and the only comfortable ladies were female midgets. At the court of Elizabeth de Medici women achieved this degree of compression by wearing corsets made of thin steel plates. A girl who ate an extra olive at dinner while dressed in this contraption ran the risk of springing her hinges.

Banned In 1559

This fashion became such a rage on the continent that in 1559 Emperor Joseph of Austria issued an edict forbidding the use of corsets in his dominions. The members of the emperor's court were to wear simple, loose-fitting dresses. This had about the effect you'd expect. The girls simply laced their booties corset-tight.

In the 18th century European families of quality even began dressing their children in corsets. They were supposed to help young boys gain a military bearing. One can only wonder how many more battles Gen. U. S. Grant might have won in a corset with a two-way stretch.

Today, the industry's best customer is the best-dressed girl in the world—the American working girl. She buys four brassieres and two girdles a year.

—Associated Press.

USEFUL FACTS ABOUT STORY-READING

By GARRY CLEVELAND MYERS, Ph.D.

IN the infant's early months he begins to read with the book.

11. It therefore, creates in him a tenderness toward books. 12. It makes him wish to read such stories from a book himself by and by.

13. It stimulates his interest in meaning rather than in mere words. A child often reads to himself early on. He reads to himself early on. He reads to himself early on.

14. It exercises him in good habits of concentration. He learns to listen intently. He learns to listen intently. He learns to listen intently.

15. Reading to the child gives him a vast deal of happiness. 16. And it's good for the person who reads to the baby or young child. It improves his own ease and usefulness of speech, since the best stories for children are in simple, vivid, picturesque and forceful English. When an older child reads to the baby or, let this older child, be he only an average or poor reader, greatly improves his own reading skill.

Perhaps no tutor could help a poor reader so much as this poor reader can help himself by reading to an eager little listener.

Lasting Value
I can't think of one other single continuous service to the baby, tot and young child that has such rich and lasting value in his education as reading to him. Here are some pertinent facts about reading to a young child.

1. Story reading can beam earlier than story telling. The picture attracts the child's attention. While he looks at it he hears what is said about it—he hears some or all the story.

2. Only a few persons can tell a story well, or think they can. Almost any person caring for the baby or tot can read to him. 3. The child hears a story read better, as a rule, than when the story is told. Besides, he hears exactly the same words, phrases and sentences over and over when the story is read.

4. It has been well selected, has better patterns of English than the average parent would use if she told the story. Of course, telling stories is valuable, too. It may be well to do both.

5. Reading to the young child calms and quiets him.

6. It affords good companionship between him and the parent, grandparent, or older child—especially between the young listener and his father or older brother or sister. And what a boon reading is to the baby sitter.

7. It broadens his information. 8. It enriches his vocabulary. 9. It gives him new patterns of speech and paves the way for his good oral English later. 10. Reading to the child and his

Right Make-Up for Your Eyes



After Movie Star Suzi Crandall has applied her eye make-up, she finishes by running an eyebrow pencil along the base of the lashes.

By HELEN FOLLETT

YOU may forget the charm of a girl's hair, the graceful contour of her lips, but you never forget beautiful eyes, if she has them. If they are warm, sparkling, animated they make a forceful impression. This girl will never be a wall flower. Smiling, orbs with a comely, hither look make easy prey of the members of the stern sex. They are an expression of amiability and good nature.

Ordinary, run-of-the-mill eyes can be glorified by the adroit use of a few little tricks that every girl should know. A little mascara on the upper lashes will form a dark frame that brings out the colour of the eyes. Don't put it on the lower lashes. Moisture there and the pigment may run. If the winks aren't as long as you would like to have them, apply mineral oil every night. The growth will thicken, and the girl in the mirror will be as you would have her.

On cosmetic counters you will find a wide selection. The blue-eyed girl will notice that there are several shades of blue; she must acquire one that will give accent, not conflict with the colour of her eyes. Bronze shadows are charming on the girl who has a golden skin and whose hair is copper coloured. Sage green is the happy thought for the red head. The white-haired lady can not do better than to use mauve that enhances the delicacy of the complexion.



Let's Eat

BY
IDA BAILEY ALLEN

A Fruit Salad Platter

"THAT fruit salad platter looks simply gorgeous!" remarked as I entered the testing kitchen.

The Chef chuckled with satisfaction. "It is an adaptation of the beautiful fruit salad we enjoyed in the restaurant of that big department store in Indianapolis."

Crystal Platter
The background was an ice-cream, clear crystal platter. Piled high in the centre were crisp, crisp lettuce leaves, topped with a cluster of seedless green grapes. Round about were various seasonal fruits arranged in sections like a mosaic; crescent shaped slices of orange-coloured cantaloupe alternating with pale green honey dew, quartered, lush blue and green-gage plums turned skin-side up; upturned halves of stoned peaches heaped with pitted, dark red heart cherries; the enchanting ensemble bordered with sprigs of mint and small clusters of green grapes.

While a platter like this may seem a bit expensive, fresh fruit salads can be afforded for desert if we serve fewer baked foods, which call for shortening, eggs and other ingredients, and buy reasonable fresh fruit instead.

The Chef took from the refrigerator a boat-shaped crystal dish filled with a rich looking sauce. "I have just finished this dressing for the salad."

Lovely Colour
"What an unusual, lovely red colour," I exclaimed. "How did you get it?"

There was an eloquent pause before the Chef answered. "That I have accomplished by a natural process. I put tinned cherries through a puree sieve, for colour and flavour. Taste, Madame."

"Simply delicious!" I said, licking the spoon. "There's the cherry, some orange juice, lemon, honey, and I think some cream cheese in this sauce."

"Correct," said the Chef. "And with your permission I would like to give the recipe as my trick for today."

Dinner

Jellied Tomato Bouillon
Cheese Sauce
Quick Baked Beans
Corn and Rice Fritters
Jelly Fruit Salads
Hot or Cold Tea or Coffee
Milk (Children)
All Measurements are Level unless otherwise stated.

Quick Baked Beans

Mix the contents of 3 average sized tins of Boston-style baked beans with 1 c. well-drained minced tomato. Place in a baking dish rub with a savoury meat fat. Top with very thin slices of raw onion. Dust with a little salt and pepper; dot with 1 tsp. margarine, or a slice bacon cut into bits. Bake about 30 min. at 375 F.

Ginger Snaps

Measure ¾ c. granulated or light brown sugar into a sauce pan, large enough for mixing the cookies. Add 6 tbsp. melted lard or shortening; 2 ½ tsp. powdered ginger; ¾ tsp. pepper; 1 tsp. salt; 1 c. molasses, and 1 tsp. baking soda dissolved in ¼ c. warm water. Beat in about ¼ c. sifted cake flour or 2 cups purpose flour; use sufficient to make a dough stiff enough to roll out. Keep the dough as soft as can be handled and yet rolled. Transfer ¼ of the mixture to a lightly floured pastry board or cloth. Roll as thin as possible. Shape 3 ½" as thin as possible. Cut with lightly oiled cutter; place on cookie sheets, sprinkle with a little granulated sugar and bake about 8 min. in a quick oven, 375 to 400 F. stored in a tightly closed tin container. These cookies keep crisp for weeks.

THIS handsome black frock, made of silk shantung taffeta is of the Dior silhouette which appears to flatter all types of figure, and which everyone besides Dior is fast-tory-manufacturing.

By PRUNELLA WOOD

What Happens When You Blow Your Nose?

By HERMAN N. BUNDESEN, M.D.

FOR some years the opinion has been held that if you blow your nose when you have a cold it is quite likely that infected material may be forced from the throat into the middle ear through the eustachian tube which connects the throat and the middle ear. It is, of course, possible that this may occur. However, Dr. W. Wallace Teed has some evidence that indicates that this does not happen very often.

This evidence was obtained during the war at a naval base.

Household Hints

To clean a sandstone fireplace, add four ounces of high grade yellow laundry soap to enough hot water to make a quart of soft suds. Heat until the soap dissolves, then cool. Stir in one-half pound powdered pumice stone and one-half measuring cup of household ammonia, and mix thoroughly. Remove as much smoky deposit from the fireplace as possible with a stiff brush. Apply the soap mixture with another brush and let stand 15 to 30 minutes. Scrub off and sponge with plenty of warm water.

It is true that, if a person holds both sides of the nose and blows, the pressure may force material into the eustachian tubes, but evidently the evidence would indicate that this is not responsible for the development of ear infections.

During a cold the tissues which make up the eustachian tube may become infected and inflamed thus closing up the tube to some extent. This may lower the air pressure in the middle ear and create a vacuum. Then, the middle ear may fill up with infected serum, during a cold, causing an infection to develop.

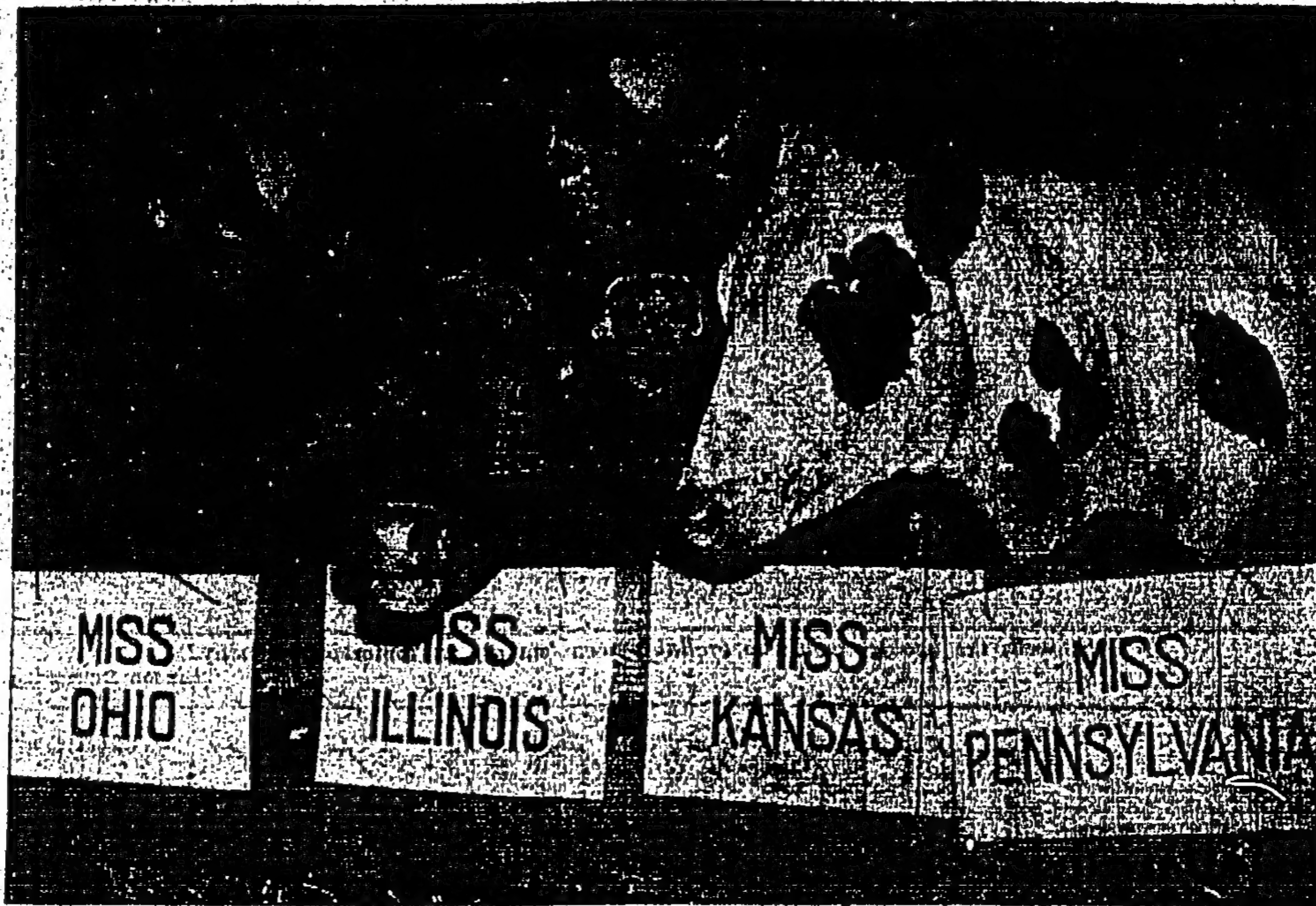
Middle ear infection causes such symptoms as pain in the ear and fever; with inflammation of the ear drum. When this happens, it may be necessary to cut open the ear drum and allow the infected material to drain out. However, in many cases may be relieved by the sulfonamide drugs or penicillin.

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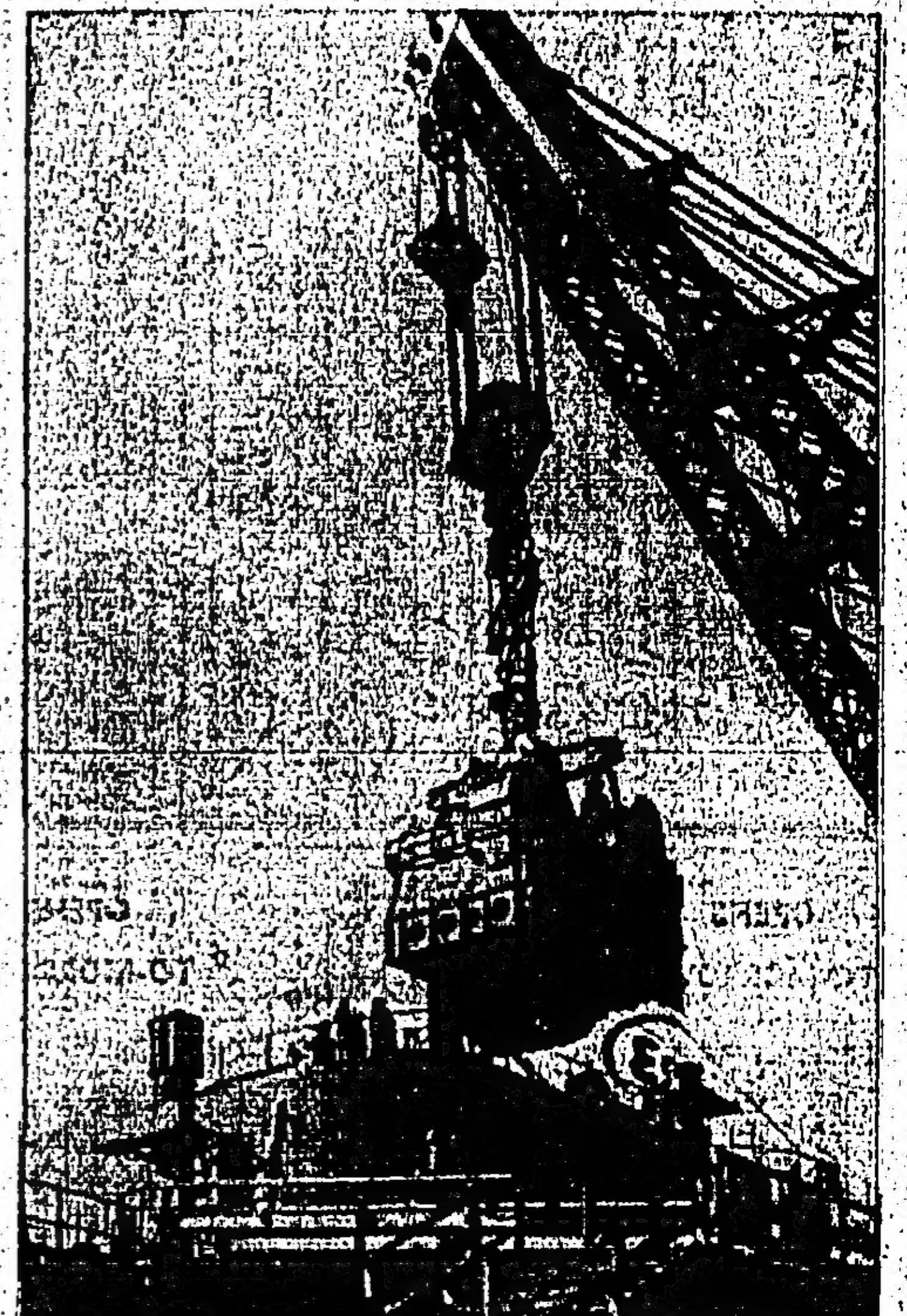
WORLD NEWS IN PICTURES



EXHIBITS HER WORK—Anna Mary Robertson Moses, better known as Grandma Moses, exhibits one of her famous winter scenes at a New York gallery. The still active, 88-year-old painter spends all her spare time on her popular work.



SEEING THE WORLD—Comfortably quartered aboard a freighter which sailed from New York, these four helpers were among the first shipment of 70 sent to Germany. The pure bred animals, donated by American farmers, will be assigned to individual families. They were shipped under the auspices of the Heifer Project Committee, an American organization for the rehabilitation of war refugees.



MIGHTY HARNESS—A 175,000-lb. double-reduction gear unit is swung aboard a tanker at Newport News, Virginia. The tanker is still under construction and the machinery will harness the driving power of the ship's 12,000-horsepower propulsion unit.



STUDY IN STRIPES—Yellow, brown and white stripes make a good contrast to shorts and slacks in this attractive T-shirt. Modelled by Edna Ryan in New York, the shirt has a solid brown crew neck and waistband.



WELCOMING FRANCO—When Generalissimo Franco arrived in Madrid to open the new Spanish Parliament, nearly 100,000 persons lined Mayor Street to cheer. All schools and places of business were closed for half a day.



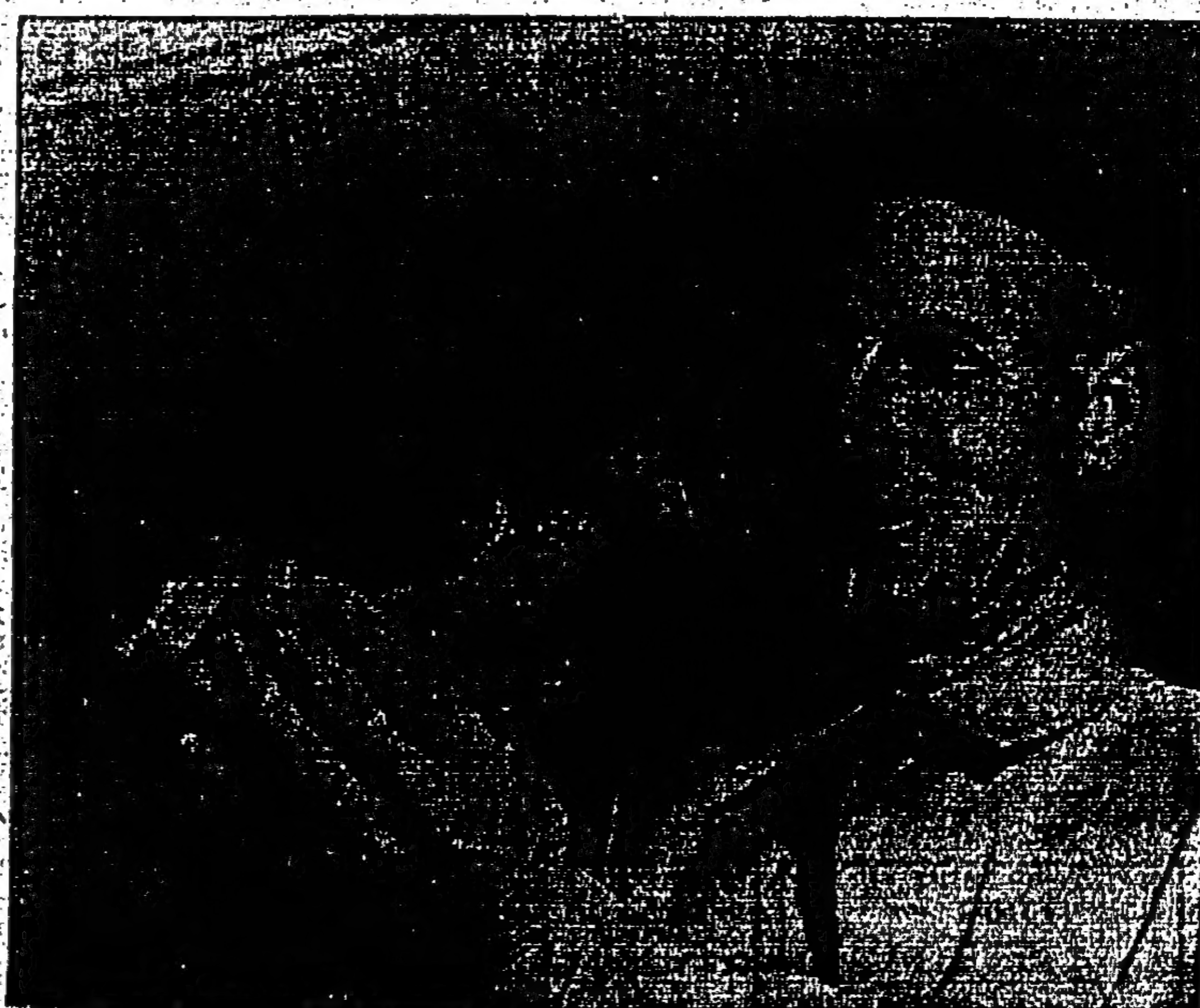
EYE-CATCHER—This vibrant cotton print combines stripes with polka dots in a flattering two-piece swim-suit.



PRIZE WINNER—Louis Palmer, nine, of New York, holds his seven-week-old Boston terrier with obvious pride. The pup won the grand prize and first place in the smallest pet class at a local pet show.



STORM DAMAGE—Lloyd Smith, of Chetopa, Kansas, points out to his young son a tree which was uprooted by a storm which swept through southern Kansas and Missouri. Limbs of the 70-foot tree struck the Smith home, which was almost directly in the path of the fall.



A FINE FEATHERED FRIEND—Sam Rice, former star Washington Senators baseball player, is now one of America's leading breeders of racing pigeons. Here in Ashton, Maryland, he holds Grandmaw, his most consistent racer. The five-year-old bird has finished well up in 17 races.

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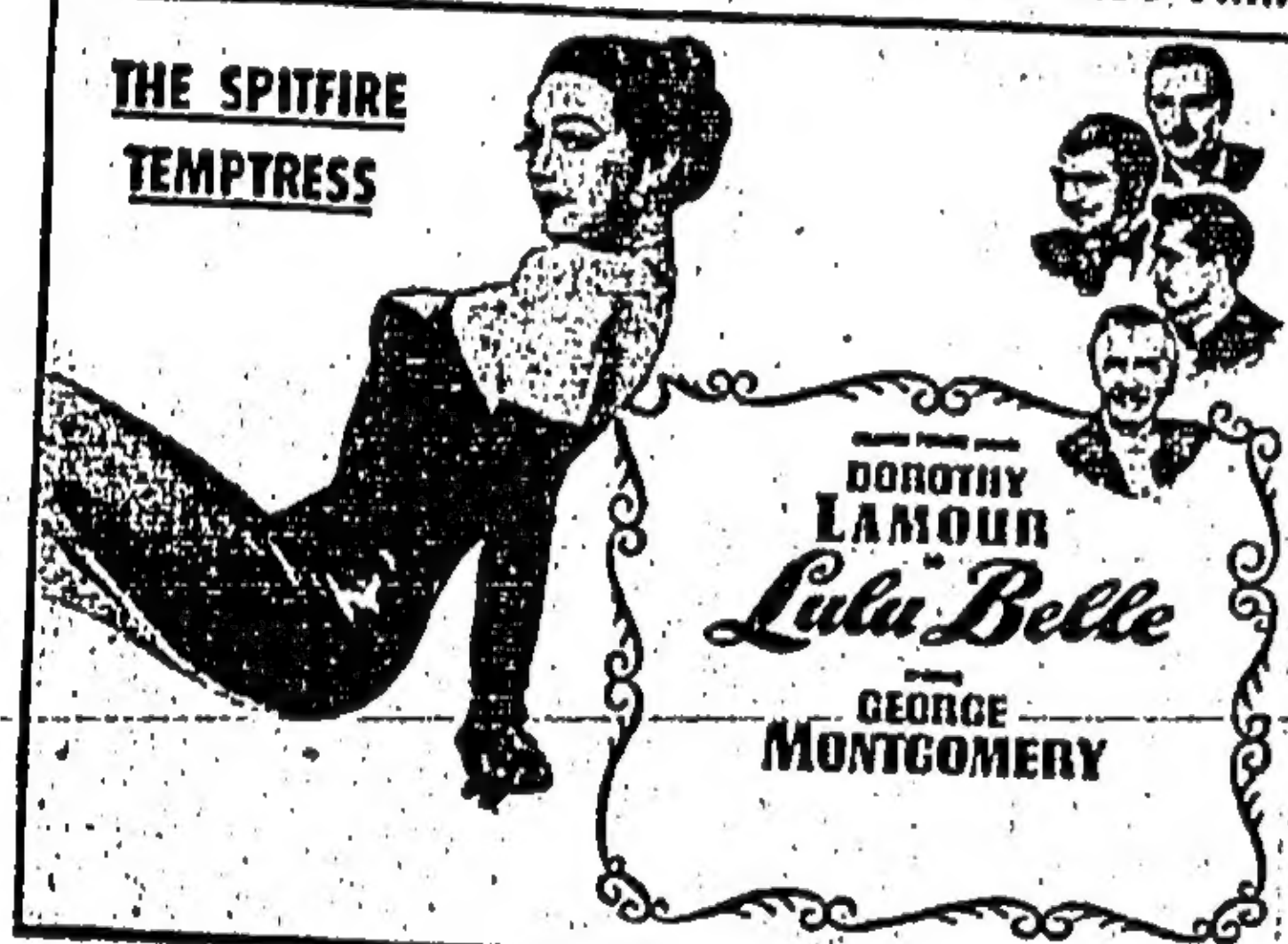
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THE WORK OF A PRIVATE DETECTIVE

BY CHARLES GRAVES

RECENTLY some men were prosecuted for allegedly stealing their employer's property. But it was not disclosed in court that the preliminary inquiries, before the police were called in, were done by a private detective. For although private detectives are used—and used extensively—it very rarely happens that they give evidence in court.

Unfortunately there is no legal qualification for a private detective. It is a pity that the Law Society, which is the governing body for solicitors, does not insist that there should be some kind of legal registration for private detectives as there is in the United States. As things are, anybody in this country can put up a plate and call himself a private detective, which is more than you can do if you want to start a beauty parlour.

There are at the moment a couple of hundred private detectives about the country. Personally, I would not care to recommend more than about half a dozen of them. Anybody needing the services of a private detective should take the recommendation of a solicitor—for a very simple reason.

Risk of slander

SUPPOSING a private detective employed by you gives you an adverse report about somebody he has been told to watch, he might be guilty of either slander or libel, according to the form in which his report was presented to you. But if the adverse report were given to a solicitor it would be privileged, therefore there would be no risk of legal trouble.

An inefficient or disreputable private detective can cost a client a great deal of money either by dragging on a case longer than is necessary or by blackmailing him. It is not unusual for a reputable private detective agency to be asked to watch and report on one of its more unsavoury competitors.

Generally speaking, 75 percent of the cases handled by a first-class detective agency are concerned with matrimonial troubles, usually divorce. Out of five such cases four are women who suspect their husbands and only one where the husband suspects his wife.

Sometimes you find women who have gone abroad demanding maintenance of their husbands for a non-existent child. The head of a detective agency whom I have met had to spend three months in the United States, going as far as California, to disprove a case of this sort.

The same man before the war had a series of lucrative jobs securing evidence for divorce.

Normally the fee for this kind of work is two guineas a day plus expenses. Some agencies charge very steeply for expenses, others do not. The test is what the taxing master allows in the Law Courts.

'Security' work

THROUGHOUT divorce work is still three-quarters of the average work of a private detective agency, "security" work is becoming much more common. Security work is the reputable detective's name for securing information in big factories which will provide enough evidence for the police to take action against "inside jobs". Blackmailing is on the decrease in any event; a reputable detective when in fact he or she is being blackmailed at once advises the client to go to the police.

There are a certain amount of private inquiries about "poison pens," but there are fewer investigations now than before the war into the background of share pushers and confidence men.

Sometimes a family of high reputation suspects one of its members of stealing. In such cases there is no question. Usually it is a matter of calling in a psychiatrist since the delinquent is discovered. Missing persons figure frequently in the files of a detective agency. They are easier to trace now, in this world of identity cards and visas, than they used to be. It needed a good deal of hard work recently, though, to trace the son of a woman who had run off to the United States with her lover 30 years ago, leaving her husband and her two-year-old child behind.

For in the meantime the husband had died and the child had grown up and married. The private detective on the job duly found his man, but felt a little dubious as to his reception. "You have come as a direct answer to prayer. I've always wanted to meet my mother," was his greeting.

Glamour?

OUT of 12 current cases on the books of a certain private detective, five are concerned with matrimony, two are matrimonial inquiries about somebody's financial background, one concerns a missing person, three are about missing debtors and one concerns a commercial traveller whose employers suspect that he is simultaneously working for a rival.

Of the status inquiries, one is of a man who wants rush fellows to invest in a film company and wishes to know its exact financial strength. The other is an inquiry from a pair of Australians whose daughter is

thinking of marrying an Englishman and wants to know about his background over here.

Typical example of the missing debtor is a man who has paid down £75 for a car and who owes £450 in instalments.

A large detective agency employs a dozen men full-time with a call on another half a dozen if required. Of these agents, as they are called, some are obviously ex-police officers, some can lunch and dine at a luxury hotel without attracting attention and others, very obviously can not.

Ex-police officers, of course, have had specialised training. The others need a knowledge of languages, common sense, a knowledge of the world, quick thinking and simple powers of deduction.

It is inaccurate to suggest that a private detective has a glamorous job. The vast bulk of it is sheer hard work—checking details at Somerset House, company registration offices and the like.

Luck occasionally plays a part. A private detective tells me he was trying to "prove" a marriage in India. He went to the India Office and was informed by the clerk in charge that it was essential to know in which province the marriage had taken place because the India Office

had no general alphabetical index. "I'll show you," said the clerk, and pulled down one of a hundred volumes from the shelf. "There you are," he went on, "one of those coincidences, he opened the page at the exact place."

One of the first Scotland Yard men to turn private detective when he was due for his pension was Chief-Inspector Arrow who died shortly before the war. Still flourishing is ex-Divisional Det-Inspector Leach, who specialises in security work. Another D.D.P. is a partner in a firm of private detectives in St. James's Street.

Retired policeman

A retired police officer is the best sort of private detective. For one thing he is highly reputable; a retired police officer loses his pension if he does anything reprehensible. Also, he will be on good terms with the police if he does sometimes.

It is by no means unusual for an agent who is doing a lengthy observation to attract the attention of the occupant of a neighbouring house—and then find himself interrogated by the sergeant-in-charge of a Flying Squad car sent to investigate following a call to 999.

If the agent can show that he is, in fact, a former police officer, he can continue his observation with the minimum of obstruction.

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AMERICAN COLUMN:

A Light Shines In The West

By C. V. R. THOMPSON

ANTI-BRITISH talk in New York. The American over the Elster decision is turning into a pro-British talk. The columns in the newspapers are filling up with criticisms of those Washingtonites who called the decision "British interference." Says reader John Herald-Tribune: "Justice is not for sale. It is not meted out as payment on loans or as courtesy for favours received." And James Marlow, a Washington writer, said the decision was a "living memorial to one of the most priceless treasures of the West—a man's right to justice."

TOUTED as the possible saviour of the American home, TV was cited as grounds for separation by a New York wife, Mrs. Betty Hill. Her charge: "My husband deprived me of his love and companionship by devoting himself exclusively to watching television programmes." ... But, which went up to 65, a pound after controls were abolished, dropped today to 2s. 10d., which is just a halfpenny above the old control price. ... In Cleveland, Ohio, today, Charles Lupica climbed a 10-ft. wooden post and threatened to stay there until his favourite team, the Cleveland Indians, head the League.

MOLE HILL, a West Virginia hamlet of 93 people, has got permission to use its new name—Mountain. Women's and children's clothing this autumn will be the cheapest in six years. ... Washington's youngest Congressman, 27-year-old Hugo Sims, has gone down with mumps.

THERE ARE 580,000 more Americans this year said the Census Bureau, recording a record population of 148,527,000. ... Legal arguments before America's highest court by Mrs. Inez Gray, an ex-model fighting her own case against her father: "My opponent resort to weasel wording and legal hula-hula." ... America is expected to get its summer burst of strikes any week now. Industrial, steel, shipyard, ... Home in Georgia, General Julius Clay is being urged to run as Governor to oust the white-supremacy regime in power there.

FRANCIS HARRIS, of Britain's Raw Cotton Commission, came to the U.S. for a quick look at the cotton position. Before leaving for home he made it clear that his visit has taught him something. "Look at this shirt," he said, pointing to the cotton shirt he was wearing. "That can be bought in America for two dollars (10s.). I paid £2 for it at home." Asked if he had bought some 10s. shirts to take home, he said no. Not enough dollars to buy even one, he explained.

THIS BEING JUNE, the big month for marriages, New York's Safety Council came out today with the correct way for a man to carry his bride across the threshold.

"Keep your body upright but bend your knees. The strain should be on your legs, not your back. Don't try to lift too much weight." And through-out their pamphlet the council refer to the bride as "The object."

THE WETS are taking the offensive against America's drys. They have started a drive to prevent areas which are dry under local option laws from sharing in revenue from liquor taxes.

BOX OFFICE receipts from American cinemas are still dropping, said a report today. Business is down between ten and 15 percent, on last year. In sections of the country where TV is available, that is blamed. Other cinemas blame poor business conditions and not enough good films.

ELECTRICALLY WARMED carpets for bedroom floors went on the market today.

THE FIGHTING SEASON opened today. Police were summoned early this morning to the most plush-lined establishment in town to break up a battle between two customers and the manager.

HOW the Chicago Tribune sees it: "This nation is acting like a British dependency, adapting its foreign policy to fit Britain's."

IN NEW YORK for a medical convention, Lord Horder warns Americans to go slow with their national health schemes. "Britain has refused to go about it gradually," he said, "and the whole philosophy of the G.P. has changed. Where once the doctor asked his patient 'What is ailing you?' he now is forced to ask 'What do you want?'"

UNDER PRESSURE from militant women's groups, President Truman announced today that he is thinking of sending women ambassadors to several countries, including Denmark. ... SHOW BUSINESS: Tin Pan. Alley is rushing out a song called "Stromboli." President Truman will repay Tullulah Bankhead for campaigning for him, by taking front seats during her performance at a Washington summer theatre. ... Equity, the Broadway trade union, has given Sarah Churchill special permission to tour the summer theatres for ten weeks in "The Philadelphia Story." ... For the first time in his life, a personal Press agent hired a personal Press agent. ... Hollywood wants to play Adam and Eve film.

DOCTORS HAVE BEEN GETTING SOME ODD SURPRISES ABOUT YOUNG MEN . . .

THE COCKNEYS CATCH UP ON TARZAN

By CHAPMAN PINCHER

THE caber-tossing Celts of the Scottish Highlands are still the best proportioned men in Britain, but the Cockneys are fast catching up on them, according to a Medical Research Council report published today.

Eighty years ago, the average Scot was 10lb. heavier and one inch taller than a sample Sassenach.

But now the Bow Bells boys are the same average height as the Heather-trampers—5ft. 7 in.—and have cut the weight difference down to 5½lb. The report—prepared by statistician Dr. W. J. Martin—analyses the records of more

than 80,000 20-year-old men called up for military medical test.

It includes the Grade IVs, who were rejected as well as the men who passed. So the doctors claim it is a fair cross-section of Britain's up-and-coming manhood.

Chief conclusion of the report is the fact that good physique and fitness do not always go together.

Thus in spite of their brawn the Highlanders are not the country's fittest men. They are beaten by the Lowland Scots and also by the spare, wiry "Geordies" of Northumberland and Durham.

These Tyne and Tees-side men who put up a score of

84½ percent, Grade I recruits, have mystified the doctors by their fitness.

Many of them grew up in squalid depressed towns like Gateshead, Sunderland, and Jarrow.

Writes Dr. Martin: "It seems remarkable that such a large proportion of these men should have been physically fit when the economic conditions during their years of rapid growth were so bad and their environmental condition so poor."

This news is soured still further for the social theorists by the fact that the men from the cream-and-cider counties of Devon, Cornwall, and Somerset are among the least fit.

But the figures for highly industrial Lancashire turned out as theory predicted. The men from Merseyside are the shortest, lightest, and have the smallest chests.

Oddest spot of the whole report is the discovery that the

Midland men of Leicestershire and Northants have much poorer eyesight than anyone else. Less than 60 percent of them were graded with perfect vision, compared with an overall British average of 66 percent.

Surprisingly, the keenest-eyed counties are only next door—Beds and Bucks, together with Oxfordshire, averaged nearly 76 percent of hawk-eyes.

Dr. Martin suggests that although Welshmen are the shortest, except for the Lancastrians, they seem to be getting taller.

And everybody seems to be growing faster.

"Fifty years ago," the maximum stature of British men does not appear to have been reached until about the age of 28, while today it is attained at about 21."

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COUNTY CRICKET

YORKSHIRE FIGHT BACK AGAINST WORCESTER

London, June 15.—The Worcestershire and Yorkshire match, which may have a vital bearing on the destination of the Championship this season, provided the main interest in today's County cricket programme, which consisted of only two matches.

Worcestershire, the present leaders, made a great start against their nearest rivals by capturing five wickets for 69 runs, but, typically, Yorkshire fought back and by the close of play had turned the tables and were in a fairly sound position.

The Yorkshire rally was mainly due to a sixth wicket stand of 93 by J. Wilson and his captain, Norman Yardley. Wilson, a left-hander, reached his 50 out of 76 shortly before lunch, and was at the wicket for just over three hours in scoring 84. Yardley used his feet well and was mainly responsible for Yorkshire scoring at a run a minute.

Yardley struck an early blow for Yorkshire when he bowled Choper for six. Three more wickets fell in less than two hours before the close, with Worcestershire 140 behind with four wickets down.

In the other County match, Nottinghamshire welcomed the return of Harold Butler, their England fast bowler, after a long absence caused by a back strain.

Although he did not produce his best pace, Butler was the most successful member of the Nottingham attack and troubled all the Leicestershire batsmen in short spells.

Altogether he bowled 25 overs for 47 and three wickets, but left the field in the last hour for massage and rest.

Leicestershire collapsed after a good start of 107 for the opening wicket, but a brisk innings by Walsh helped to raise the total.

Batmen had an uncomfortable time at Lord's, where the MCC met Cambridge University. The pace bowlers, pitching short of a length, made the ball lift awkwardly, and the most successful being Charles Oakes, of Sussex, who took four wickets for only 17 runs.

SWIMMING

VRC v. Eastern On Saturday

The first inter-club swimming gala of the season, between the Victoria Recreation Club and the Eastern Athletic Association will be held at the VRC on Saturday at 9.30 p.m.

Among the competitors will be a number of champions and former champions, and other swimmers who are well-known in the Colony.

Wilfred Lawrence, Hong Kong's most versatile swimmer; G. Rosa-Perelra, the 100 yards breast-stroke champion; Monteiro, holder of the 100 yards free-style championship, and J. Yanovich holder of the 100, 150 and 220 yards back-stroke championships will be appearing for the VRC.

Tau Hang, the former 50 yards free-style champion of the Colony; Cheong Kin-mun, who came into the limelight in 1947 by winning the Harbour Race, and who recently broke the China National Record for the 400 metres free-style, and Tommy Kew, a fast sprinter, should put up a good performance for the E.A.A.

Wong Kin-man, who lost the diving championship to L. Rosa-Perelra last year, will be taking part in the exhibition event.

The programme is as follows: Inter-Club 50 yds. Free-style; Tau Hang, W. T. (E.A.A.); G. Rosa-Perelra, E. (V.R.C.); Inter-Club 220 yds. Free-style; Cheong Kin-mun, Chan Ho-tok (E.A.A.); F. Monteiro, V. Yanovich (V.R.C.).

Club members 75 yds. Individual Medley (Members' League); Inter-Club 100 yds. Breast-stroke; Leong Chak-ko, Cheung Chung-yue (E.A.A.); S. E. Carvalho, M. Rosa (V.R.C.).

Ladies 50 yds. Back-stroke (Members' League); Inter-Club 50 yds. Free-style Relay; Tui Hang, Tommy Kew, William Tso, Cheong Kin-mun (E.A.A.); G. Rosa-Perelra, F. Monteiro, V. Yanovich (V.R.C.).

Water-Polo Exhibition. Eastern v. V.R.C. Team—Wu Cho-kin, Chun Ho-tok, K. W. Young, Tommy Kew, W. K. Tui Hang, K. M. Cheong, V.R.C. Team—J. Brown, B. J. Hamman, J. Hume, W. Lawrence, Yanovich, S. B. Milford, G. Rosa-Perelra.

Reserves (E.A.A.)—C. Y. Cheong, M. K. Kit, William Tso (V.R.C.); George, H. Wiggins, A. V. Lopez (E.A.A.).

3rd, 2nd, 1st, 1st (Individual Events), 2 & 0 (Relay).

CLOSE OF PLAY SCORES

The close of play scores were: At Lord's: Cambridge University 170 (C. Oakes 4 for 17); MCC 138 for 2 (Robertson 73).

Kiwis' Reserves Do Well Against Hants

Southampton, June 15.—After travelling overnight from Leeds, where the first Test match was drawn, the New Zealanders accomplished a good performance against Hampshire here today.

They dismissed the County side for 129 on a hard pitch and then scored 102 without loss when play closed.

Hadlee entrusted the bulk of the bowling to Hayes, Cresswell and Burke, three players not in the Test, and Reid, 12th man at Leeds, kept wicket. They responded admirably, Cresswell in particular bowling with remarkable accuracy, which gave him eight successful maidens in one spell.

Hayes maintained a good pace, but marred his work by being no-balled frequently. The best partnership of the Hampshire innings was 35 for the fifth, Ransom provided a bright spot by hitting 13 off one over from Burke, but generally the Hampshire batsmen gave a lame display against steady bowling and smart fielding.

With just over two hours to bat, the New Zealanders made a sound start through Scott and Sutcliffe who without taking wickets, scored 102 and were still together at the close. The tourists then needed another 28 for the lead.

Steady spin bowling by Bailey and Knott kept the runs down, but neither batsmen looked in difficulty.

Sutcliffe in particular kept a tight rein on his scoring strokes, but he defended surely and brought off some well-timed drives.

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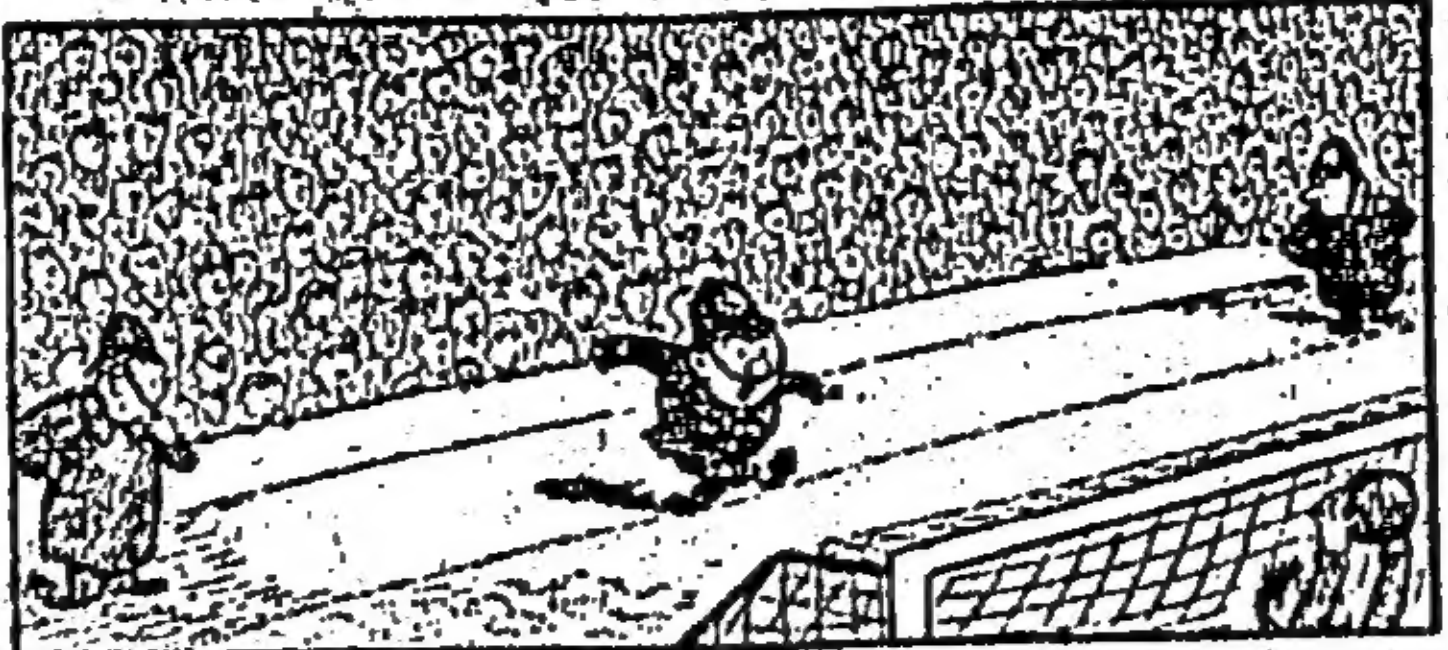
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SPORTING SAM

By Reg. Wootton



(London Express Service)

Ascot Made Truly Royal As King's Filly Wins

Ascot, Berkshire, June 15.—Ascot was made truly Royal this afternoon by the victory of the King's filly, Avila, in the Coronation Stakes for three-year old fillies, run over one mile.

The King and Queen, and members of the Royal Family, who had earlier driven down the course in State, saw Avila, a daughter of Hyperion, race to a comfortable three-lengths victory in the hands of Irish-born jockey Michael Beary.

Avila, which had failed in both the One Thousand Guineas and the Oaks, started at 11 to 2 on the books, but so popular was her success that the totalisator returned only 3 to 1.

Half a furlong before the finish, when it was obvious that the Royal filly would win, loud cheers broke out and, as is the custom in Britain, men took off their hats, shouting: "Hats Off to the King" as the winning post was reached.

Hundreds immediately turned to the Royal Box and clapped. Their Majesties looked very pleased and none was more excited at Avila's win than Princess Elizabeth.

The King and Queen and the Royal party watched Avila saddled in the paddock. On their way, a stable hand brought off a notable double. But it was touch and go and the draw for places at the start may have earned him his head victory over Impeccable.

Impeccable, a grey, made a gallant attempt to shoulder to victory the top weight, a nine stone two pounds, under which no horse has been successful for 30 years. He came in with a great rattle at the finish, but could not just get on even terms with Steropio, who had taken the lead a furlong out.

Steropio, who carried eight stone 12 pounds, is a four-year old son of the former Derby winner, Midday Sun.

Pride of India, made a favourite at 11 to 2, finished third, two lengths away in the field of 20 runners.

Backers, who had five favourites win for them yesterday, started the day well when Diablerette, a daughter of Dante, scored an easy win in the five-furlong Queen Mary Stakes.

Starting at 7 to 4 and ridden by "Togo" Johnstone, she won by three lengths from Sir Percy Loraine's Quarter Deck. Sir Percy, a retired diplomat, went one better in his next race by winning the Churchill Stakes, of two miles, with his colt, Riding Mill, a well-backed 4 to 1 chance.

The Australian jockey, Willie Cook, won his first Ascot victory when he rode Beaton, a 100 to 1 shot, to victory in the mile High Beacon—just got home a neck in front of the well-backed 7 to 1 chance, Jai Mahal.

Gordon Richards was expected to win his first race of the day on Kralato in the Jersey Stakes, run over the Hunt Cup course, in the last race on the card, but this son of Nepon, starting at 8 to 11, had to be content with third place.

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TENNIS

Last Eights Reached At Queen's Club

London, June 15.—All the remaining European players were eliminated from the men's singles when the London grass court lawn tennis championships reached the quarter-final stage at the Queen's Club today.

The quarter-final lineups now read:

MEN'S SINGLES

Ted Schroeder (United States) v. George Worthington (Australia); Eric Sturges (South Africa) v. Frank Sedgman (Australia); Nigel Cockburn (South Africa) v. Gardnar Mulloy (United States); Felicissimo Ampon (Philippines) v. John Bromwich (Australia).

WOMEN'S SINGLES

Miss Louise Brough (United States) v. Thelma Long (Australia); Mrs. Patricia Todd (United States) v. Miss Gem Hoehling (Britain); Miss Shirley Fry (United States) v. Miss Gertrude Moran (United States); Miss Jean Quertier (Britain) v. Margaret Du Pont (United States).

Ampon Draws Tough Opposition

London, June 15.—The draw for the Wimbledon Tennis Tournament today put Felicissimo Ampon of the Philippines in the same section with United States champion Richard Gonzales, and the Australian star, Geoffrey Brown. The men's list was divided into eight sections of 16 men each, with Ampon's section in the top half.

The best first-round match will pit top-seeded Ted Schroeder vs. his fellow-American, Gardnar Mulloy, in the bottom half.—United Press.

Cerdan v. Lamotta Postponed

Detroit, June 15.—The world middleweight title fight between Marcel Cerdan and Jake La Motta, which was to have been held here tonight, has been postponed 24 hours because of rain.

Earlier, Cerdan had weighed in at 11 stone four pounds, while La Motta tipped the scales at 11 stone five and a half pounds.

The title bout was to have taken place at Briggs Stadium. Neither man had any difficulty in getting inside the limit. La Motta, who is an 8-3 under-dog, weighed two and a half pounds more for his last fight in May against Joey De John, but was so confident he would come in under the limit today that he did not bother to get on the scales prior to the official weigh-in for a test weigh.

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Tennis League

Chinese Recreation Club "B", swamping Club de Recreo by a score of 8 1/2-1 1/2, took the lead in the Men's "C" Division of the Lawn Tennis League yesterday by scoring their third straight victory.

Their set score is now 2 1/2-3 1/2. The only other unbeaten team in the division is Chinese Recreation Club "A", who have only played two matches and have the impressive set score of 17-1.

Yesterday's results were:

CRC "A" BEATS KRCR

F. K. Lam and Y. K. Chung (CRC "A") beat J. H. Burbeck and E. G. Humphreys (KRCR) 6-1, 6-0.

CRC "B" BEATS RECREIO

B. Oumund and D. Remedios (Recreio) lost to W. Wu and Chung 3-6, 3-6.

CRC "A" BEATS USRC

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Starters For The Ascot Gold Cup

London, June 15.—There are eight probable runners for the big event of the Ascot's four-day meeting, the Ascot Gold Cup, to be run over two and a half miles at 3.45 p.m. B.S.T. tomorrow.

They are (with jockeys): Woodburn (W. Rickaby), Vic Day (Gordon Richards), Heron Bridge (T. Burns), Alycidon (Douglas Smith), Benny Lynch (T. Lowrey), Stockbridge (P. Evans), Turmoil II (W. Johnston), Black Tarquin (Edgar Britt).—Reuter.

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MCKENNEY ON BRIDGE

Shrewd Play Wins Doubtful Contract

BY WILLIAM E. MCKENNEY

I DROPPED in at the card room of the New York Athletic Club a few days ago and cut Charles W. Cukin as my partner. Everybody at the club calls him "The Sheriff." He served as sheriff of New York County from 1925 to 1928, when Jimmie Walker was mayor.

Those of us who like mystery stories are familiar with the weekly programme on the radio called "The Sheriff." The announcer always says, "When in trouble, call the sheriff." That is what I had to do on today's hand. I had to call on "The Sheriff" not only to make a fine bid, but to track down the correct play to make the hand.

Charles made the normal opening bid of one heart, and my bid of one spade was all right. When Charlie bid two

McKenney		Cukin	
♠ K 0 7 5 2	♥ 10 8 7 5 2	♠ K 0 7 5 2	♥ 10 8 7 5 2
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Cukin		McKenney	
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clubs, I thought that the hand should not be played at all. But was wrong. We could have made three no trump easily. To tell Charlie that I had a good hand I bid four clubs. Although he did not have much in clubs, "The Sheriff" came to my rescue and bid five, then proceeded to make it with a nice play.

He won the opening lead of the six of spades with the ace, then cashed dummy's ace and king of clubs. His next play was a nice one. He led the four of diamonds from dummy, but East would not let him get away with that. East jumped right up with the ace, fearing that Charlie might discard the other two diamonds in dummy on the ace and king of hearts.

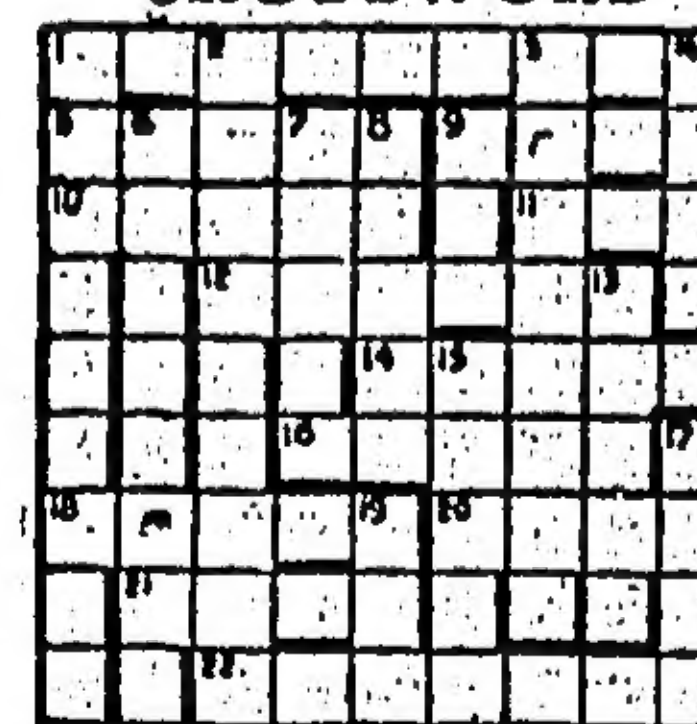
East then led a spade, which West trumped with the nine of clubs. West came back with another diamond. Charlie won that in his own hand, led a club, which picked up West's ten-spots, cashed dummy's king of spades and trumped a spade in his own hand—thus setting up the dummy and making five clubs.

Check Your Knowledge

1. Name the two most important works of Homer, the Greek poet.
2. Who is the prime minister of India?
3. Name the heaviest liquid.
4. Who is called the "Old Lady of New York Harbour"?
5. What American general is nicknamed "Black Jack"?
6. What is the common name for the disease Vincent's angina?

(Answers in Column 4)

CROSSWORD



- Across
1. A marvelous story appealing to our credulity. (5, 8, 9)
 2. A word never taken a prisoner. (4, 5)
 3. The fourth part of a picture. (4)
 4. A word that came to nothing. (6)
 5. A sailor goes without tea. (8)
 6. Overjoyed. (6)
 7. A name for a bird. (5)
 8. A word for a break. (4)
 9. An exact return. (4)
 10. See 2 Down.
- Down
1. It could be a local site. (9)
 2. The principle of thrift. (8)
 3. A word for a change. (6)
 4. A name that can be explained. (8)
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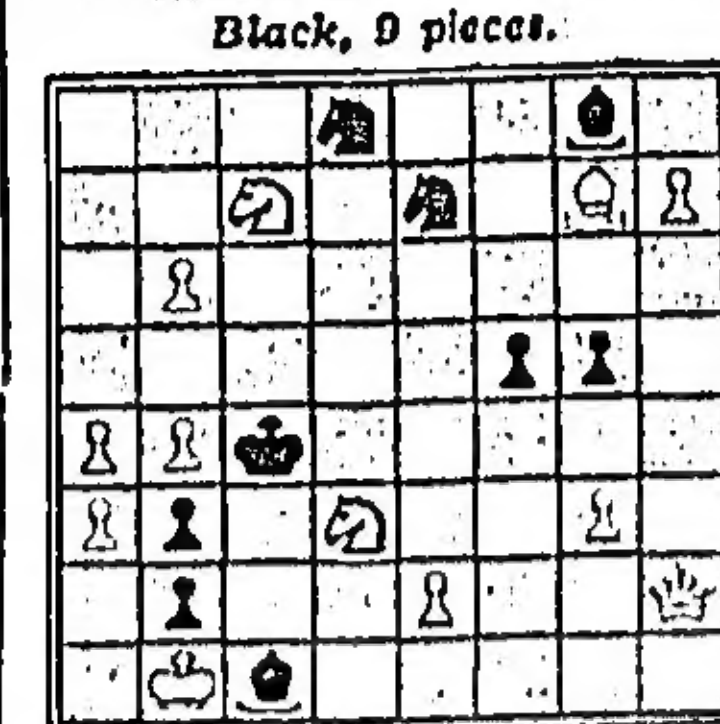
YOU SHOULD GO OUT EVERY NIGHT FOR A LITTLE CONSTITUTIONAL.



CHESS PROBLEM

By J. BUCHWALD (BCF Tourney 50)

Black, 9 pieces.



White, 12 pieces.
White to play and mate in three.
Solution to yesterday's problem.

1. Q to e7, any; 2. Q, R, or K to e7, or d6 ch mates.

BOYS AND GIRLS MAGAZINE

Willy Opened a Restaurant

—But It Wasn't Successful At All—

By MAX TRELL

KNARE, the shadow-boy with the turned-about name, heard Willy Toad calling him. He went out into the garden to find out what Willy wanted. Willy said: "I'm opening up a restaurant, Knarf. I need to have a sign put. Do you suppose you can point me a sign?"

"A restaurant?" Knarf exclaimed, forgetting for a moment about the sign. "Where is the restaurant? Let me see it." "It isn't much of a restaurant yet," said Willy. "I've only got three tables. I'll have to build some chairs, or find them somewhere. But I'd like very much to have a sign. No one will know it's a restaurant unless I have a sign."

"I'd like to see your restaurant, Willy. Where is it?"

Across the garden Willy hopped across the garden, across the fence and across the field to the damp spot behind the oak tree. Knarf followed him.

"There are my tables!" said Willy, pointing to three mushroom-like tables with the tops about an inch or so above the ground. "They came up yesterday," Willy explained. "That's what gave me an idea for opening a restaurant. Once I got some food and the chairs, and the sign, I'll be ready to start business."

Knarf couldn't help agreeing that it was a very good idea. "You could use acorns for chairs," he told Willy. "Very good," said Willy. "I can get plenty of acorns."

"Some of your customers won't even need chairs," the squirrels won't need them and

neither will the chipmunks, the moles, the robins, and the ducks. As for the caterpillars and the snails, they'll be happier sitting on the table."

Knarf helped Willy gather a lot of acorns which they arranged neatly around the mushroom-like tables. "Now about food," said Knarf. "What are you going to serve?" Willy said that he was going to catch some flies, some earthworms and borrow as much honey as he could from the bees. "Almost everybody likes honey," he said. "How about that sign?" "What do you want on the sign?" said Knarf. "I'll print it out for you on a piece of white cardboard in red ink."

Willy said he wanted the sign to read:

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RECORDED MUSIC

MOZART EXPERIENCE RARER THAN PEARLS

By DELOS SMITH

WHEN Jascha Heifetz or Sir Thomas Beecham play Mozart, it is an experience rarer than pearls. The namby-pamby Mozartians make everything of form, at the expense of shew. They unwittingly disparage by dehumanising; they narrow Mozart into a cult rather than widening him into a universe.

Not Heifetz, nor Beecham. Their impulses are not clogged by precious aesthetics and so they freely establish a flowing communication with a sublime human feeling. This artistry distinguishes the way Heifetz and Emanuel Bay, at the piano, perform the Eighth Violin-Plano Sonata (RCA Victor; two 12-inch LPs) and the way Beecham conducts the Royal Philharmonic and Ron Le Roy, flute, and Lilly Laskine, harp, through the Concerto for Flute and Harp (Columbia; three 12-inch LPs). Neither is unfamiliar. Yet you can't remember when either impressed you as much.

Dvorak and Debussy Igor Stravinsky's enormous output is one of a comparatively few penks which make the stretches of plains seem the more barren. However, you can forget the plains while in the presence of a peak and one is the choral Symphony of Psalms which has been given a new recording, by the Columbia Broadcasting Symphony and a pick-up choir, that may be taken as authoritative since it has the composer himself conducting (Columbia; three 12-inch standard or one 12-inch LP with Stravinsky's Symphony in Three Movements on the reverse side). Despite his strictures against emotionalism in music, there is much emotion here—deeply felt but controlled religious emotion that is conveyed with eloquence and hammering impact.

(Tomorrow—Unusual Angles)

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

- Answers
1. "The Illiad" and "The Odyssey."
 2. Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru.
 3. Taurus.
 4. The Statue of Liberty.
 5. General John J. Pershing (World War I).
 6. French mouth.

YOUR BIRTHDAY... BY STELLA

THURSDAY, JUNE 16

BORN today, the stars have given you exceptional capabilities, but your talents will remain hidden unless you develop them early in life and make the most of them. The quality of your nature shows in your tendency to change your mind impulsively on occasion and your ability to be quiet, studious and thoughtful at other times.

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BY THE WAY

by Beachcomber

THE report of an experiment carried out on a bottle of wine, "to see what it was made of," will, I hope, be made public.

Odd things are happening in wine bottles today. By the way, life in Arcady was not all wine and roses. Aristotle says of their wine that if you put skin of it near a fire it became chalky and finally hardened to salt. It was what the great god Pan drank, he was not half the fellow I look him for.

Gamekeeper finds

He alleged that a large bottle of patience fell from the shelf, and that they split over the boy. It was an accident.

(News Item.)

A FAMOUS Welsh historian commented, "This will be known in history as the Fall of the Patience."

Beautifying Oxford

Christ Church Meadow, serving no useful purpose, surely invites a gasworks worthy of the name. The gardens of Wadham and Worcester and New College cry out for the newest type of container. Oxford's towers, whispering the last enchantments of the middle-aged, should now give place to the impulse of youth and enterprise; to this new and larger factory of towers, which needs no castle or church to enhance its clean lines and sturdy girth.

Yrs. faithfully,

"Twentieth Century."

Hogwash feels the pinch

SOL HOGWASH, like every other film man, is feeling the pinch. Once upon a time a film unit would have been flown to Karachi to get suitable scenery for the stamped of reindeer in the "Life of Gladstone." Today the whole thing is filmed at Walton Heath, with two extras acting each reindeer. In the Chamberlain's Dream of Empire sequence (music by Tusco Bodanenko) the Tja Mahal cannot be seen for fog, thus saving the cost of a long journey. The fog costs only ninepence a kilometre, and is sprayed from a tin container. Dawn Kodgers, the leading lady, has consented to take only £50,000 for her ten weeks' work.

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Poles Seek More Trade With West

Warsaw, June 15.—Poland, already giving nearly a quarter of her foreign trade to Russia, is concentrating upon building up her business with other nations.

Tadeusz Gede, the new 30-year-old Minister of Foreign Trade, predicts that Poland's imports and exports this year will have a value of about US\$1,300,000,000. That would be about 25 per cent more than the 1948 figure.

Poland's trade with the Soviet Union has risen from US\$100,000,000 in 1940 to US\$230,000,000 in 1948.

Along with this increase, the Poles have steadily raised their exchanges with the "People's Democracies" including Hungary, Rumania and Bulgaria. Trade this year with Yugoslavia, which does not see things the Cominform way, has been radically reduced.

M. Gede said: "The constant increase of trade turnover between Poland and the USSR and the People's Democratic countries will constitute the foundation of Poland's foreign trade. But Poland also intends to develop her trade with other foreign countries on the principles of equality and respect of sovereignty. Poland will oppose all attempts at discrimination." He claimed that Poland was now Europe's leading coal exporter, with exports of 20,000,000 tons in 1948.

Most important coal customers are the Soviet Union, Sweden, France, Italy, Denmark, Norway, the Soviet zone of Germany, Austria, Argentina and Pakistan.—Associated Press.

RUBBER MARKET STEADY

New York, June 15.—Rubber prices today moved irregularly in quiet dealings, maintaining an overtone of steadiness throughout the session.

The spurt in securities, plus the "fair" demand for actuals from dealers and factories and the advancing commodity markets helped to strengthen the market.

While some doubts still exist, dealers expressed the opinion that favourable news would press the market up still further. Some observers seem to be relying on early appropriations for stockpiling.

Prices closed three to 20 points higher on sales totalling 67 contracts.

June (in cents)	per
June	16.25 nominal
July	16.25 nominal
August	16.25 nominal
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Former Hungarian Premier Expelled From Party

DENOUNCED AS SPY AND TROTSKYITE AGENT

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Also expelled on the same charges was Dr. Tibor Szonyi, a member of the Central Committee and the Central Control Commission and Secretary of the Workers' Party.

The communique ends a week of speculation over M. Rajk's whereabouts since he failed to appear for the opening session of the newly-elected Parliament last week, and his replacement as Foreign Minister by M. Gyulakallai, also a Communist.

It is known that a number of other high functionaries are under detention, but the communique makes no mention of these. The communique did not state whether the former Foreign Minister was under arrest, but it was assumed here that he was.

N. Rajk, a one-time Minister of the Interior, was also a member of the Politbureau of the Workers' Party.

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"The Central Executive Committee expels from the party Laszlo Rajk and Tibor Szonyi as spies and Trotskyite agents of foreign imperialist powers."

"The Central Executive Committee states that at the present stage of the progress of the People's Democracy the most dangerous weapon of the enemy is penetration into the party."

"The best defence against this enemy penetration is the correct policy of our party."

"The execution of this policy involved a constant and steadfast struggle against any deviation. It will fight especially ruthlessly against all manifestations of nationalism. This nationalism sometimes manifests itself in open anti-Sovietism, at other times in under-raiding, even keeping silent, about the role and importance of the Soviet Union."

"To over-rate our own achievement, and the resulting over-confidence, also makes for nationalism."

"We must lead a ruthless struggle against any manifestation of Trotskyism. . . . We must increase our vigilance. We must watch for the slightest unparty-like behaviour, popularity-seeking, self-adoration and praise. We must control, with even stricter measures, the functions of our own party and State."

The communique said that the Central Committee supported and approved all measures which the Political Bureau and the Secretariat had taken for the liquidation of spies and Trotskyite agents.

It empowered these organs to undertake all measures to detect and eliminate in future all enemy penetration of the party.

Concluding, the communique said that the Central Committee directs the party leaders "to do a thorough job and render harmless, with an iron fist, the agents of imperialism and Trotskyism, who would frustrate the achievements of our Democracy and try to sell our working people again into the hands of the capitalists."

Reuter.

Its aim is to "make more efficient the measures to prevent and repress certain activities" according to a decree published in the official Gazette.

Under the decree, places used for subversive activities will be closed and can be occupied by the authorities.

The Council will have power to dissolve any gathering on which "seditious or offensive demonstrations" against the authorities "take place."

Founders or members of associations "of a Communist nature" will be liable to internment sentences ranging from one to three years.

Similar punishment will also apply to members of associations whose purpose is crimes against State security or terrorism "and to those who facilitate such subversive activities."

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"The last time I ran away from home I only got as far as the fifth floor!"

'American Father Of 1949'



"American Father of 1949," William Casper Peter, 78, (seated, front), farmer of Lock Haven, Pa., is shown with his 10 daughters and eight sons after being named by National Father's Day Committee. Front row (from left), Florence, Pauline, Leona, Peter, Helen and Margaret. Middle row (from left), Ralph, Mary, Alice, Betty, Cora and Olive. Back row (from left), Frank, Jesse, Harvey, Harry, Lester, Elery and Charles.—AP Picture.

Government Forces Strike Again At Karen Rebels

Rangoon, June 15.—Government land and air forces today struck at Karen rebels, who last night announced the formation of their own "Insurgent Cabinet." The formation of the Cabinet by the tribesmen in revolt against the Government was announced by the Karen Radio according to Burmese newspapers, with bearded 38-year-old Ba U Gyi, President of the Karen National Union, as Prime Minister.

Government planes raided several Karen concentrations near the rice exporting port of Bassein, 90 miles west of Rangoon, and scored direct hits, a communique said. It claimed the recapture of two Communist-held villages in the Pyapon district of the Irrawaddy Delta, with 20 rebels killed and several wounded.

The communique also reported minor clashes in the Upper Burma districts of Mandalay and Shwebo, while a rebel attack on the Central Burma Oil town of Tonnayung, 300 miles north-west of Rangoon, was reported by the Army Radio.

The Radio reported fierce fighting last night when 200 Karens made a surprise attack on the oil town, but retreated leaving 30 dead.

The Radio added that mopping up was still going on in the area and claimed the capture of Kyaukse.

Observers here were not clear as to how the new Karen Cabinet would function.

Ba U Gyi, who escaped from Insein when Government troops captured it from the Karens, was last reported in the Rangoon area.

The main Karen forces are in the Toungoo—area, 100 miles to the north, where they were reported last month to have declared a Karen State.

Strong Government reinforcements were tonight making for Akyab, important Western Burma port, now threatened by rebels, a Government spokesman reported.

He said that the situation on the West coast (Arakan) has deteriorated considerably and that rebels moving north from Sandoway towards Akyab have been joined by a deserting section of military police.

Both Sandoway and Kyauyu, on Ramree Island, midway up the coast of Arakan, are in rebel hands, he said.

The spokesman denied, however, that U Ny Tun, Burmese Minister of Minority Affairs, had fled from Kyauyu because of rebel activity. He said that the Minister had come back to Rangoon for an "inspection" and would be returning to Ramree in a day or two.—Reuter.

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IEFC DOLES OUT RICE

Washington, June 15.—The International Emergency Food Council Rice Committee on Wednesday recommended world rice producing nations allocate 3,732,000 metric tons to importing nations for the year 1949.

The proposal was understood to be scheduled for IEFC approval on Thursday, with an announcement of the Council's action on Friday.

The Rice Committee's action was actually confined to proposed allocations for the July to December period of this year. However, the expected announcement will cover the entire year.

The proposed allocations for July to December are 1,877,000 metric tons. It was authoritatively learned. January to July allocations were 1,855,000. That makes a total for the year of 3,732,000. This exceeds last year's allocations by 591,000.

The Committee's action reflects the slowly improving world rice situation, however, supplies are still far below requirements of consuming nations.

According to authoritative information, here are the principal proposed allocations for the full year in metric tons:

Ceylon	400,000
China	201,000
Cuba	230,000
French territories	100,000
India	800,000
Dutch East Indies	235,000
Indonesian Republic	20,000
Pakistan	45,000
Philippines	135,000
Hongkong	100,000
Malaya	480,000
Karuku Islands	30,000
Japan	150,000

—Associated Press.

30 SWISS ARRESTED

Berne, June 15.—The Swiss Foreign Minister, Dr. Max Petitpierre, told the Lower House of Parliament today that Switzerland did not intend to break with Rumania where 30 Swiss citizens were arrested last week.

The Swiss Minister in Bucharest, Dr. P. Von Salis, who has been recalled for consultation, will return immediately afterwards to Rumania, he said.

The Rumanian "repression" arrests followed the announcement that it intended to proceed with the trial of Solvay Villanu whom the Rumanian Legation in Switzerland claimed as a member of its staff and, therefore, in enjoyment of diplomatic immunity.

Villanu, whose trial began on Monday, is charged with economic espionage and fraud. It was alleged that one of his tasks in Switzerland was to discover assets which Rumanian citizens had "salted away" in Switzerland.

Villanu has refused to speak since the opening of the trial, claiming that the Swiss court had no jurisdiction over him as a diplomat.—Reuter.

German Elections On August 14

Berlin, June 15.—The 11 West German Premiers today promulgated the new West German Electoral Law and set August 14 as the date for elections to the first Federal Parliament of the new Republic.

Professor Ludwig Erhard, Federal Director of Economics, said in Frankfurt that he was planning to abolish most controls on raw materials and industrial products before the Federal Parliament meets.—Reuter.

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